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City of Ellsworth
Request for Proposals (RFP)
Engineering Services WIN: 26296.00
Ellsworth 2022 Multiuse Pathway

Question Responses – Dated February 16, 2023

The City of Ellsworth received the following Questions in regard to the RFP released on February 3, 2023. Answers to the questions can be found below. A reminder that proposals are due by 4pm on Wednesday, March 1, 2023.

- 1. The RFP mentions a ROW Consultant. Will the City be contracting with a separate consultant for ROW negotiations and acquisitions, or is the ROW Consultant intended to be part of the design consultant's team?**

The City will be contracting with a separate consultant for ROW negotiations and acquisitions. It is expected that the design consultant's team will be willing and able to coordinate with the chosen ROW consultant/firm.

- 2. Is it the intent for the consultant to supply the maps and then coordinate with an already retained consultant (City or Maine DOT responsibility) or do we need to carry appraisers and additional right-of-way consultants on our team?**

Yes, the design engineer consultant will map the required ROW and coordinate with the City's chosen ROW consultant/firm. No, the design engineering consultant's firm does not need to carry appraisers.

- 3. Does this RFP include or not include any proposed improvements to the intersection at Merrill Lane, which was included as part of the Feasibility Study that VHB conducted?**

No, the RFP does not include any proposed improvements to the intersection at Merrill Lane.

4. Will the ROW consultant be responsible for “assessing and negotiating any property acquisitions required,” and will these services be required as part of the Engineering Services for the Design Consultant?

Yes, the ROW consultant will be responsible for assessing and negotiating any property acquisitions required. These services will not be required as part of the engineering services for the design consultant. It is expected that the design consultant’s team will be willing and able to coordinate with the chosen ROW consultant/firm.

5. Will you share the amount of funding the City received?

The City received \$295,680 from Maine DOT Multimodal Program.

6. Who will be the DOT project manager?

The DOT project manager is Daniel Loring.